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>REPORT<



PIERMONT, N. H.



1897.

E. R. Bellamy
Town Clerk

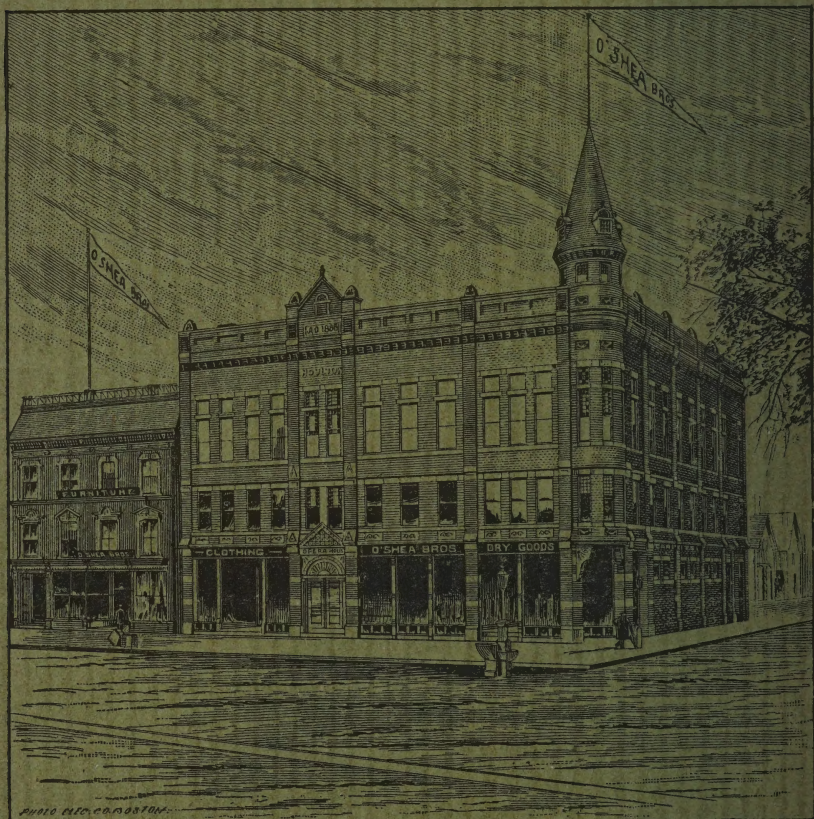
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF PIERMONT.

EMBRACING THOSE OF
SELECTMEN, AUDITORS, TREASURER,
Board : of : Education : and : Road : Commissioner
FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

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AUDITORS' REPORT

For the Year Ending February 15, 1897.

VALUATION OF TOWN APRIL 1, 1896.

Real estate, resident	\$218,642 00
“ non-resident	20,500 00
Toll bridge	4,500 00
Number of polls, 213	21,300 00
“ horses, 334	18,545 00
“ oxen, 33	1,760 00
“ cows, 949	21,901 00
“ neat stock, 6	166 00
“ sheep, 332	478 00
“ hogs, 7,	60 00
Money at interest	19,250 00
Stock in trade	8,825 00
Mills and machinery	5,700 00
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	\$341,637 00
Rate of taxation on \$100	1 51

RECEIPTS.

The selectmen charge themselves as follows :

Whole amount tax bill, 1896	\$5158 71
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As follows :

State tax	\$650 00
County tax	638 63
To defray town charges	2000 00
Support of highways	852 59
Support of schools	650 00
To repair school houses	100 00
For library	39 00
Allowed by law	228 49

\$5158 71

Received of L. M. Roby, Eug. Cross note	76 02
cash in treasury	714 67
county, support of paupers	9 30
Alvah Stevens, 2 prs. oxen	285 00
J. Baldwin, 1 pair	130 00
H. E. Morrison, dog license	64 80
state treas., savings bank tax	137 98
“ “ literary fund	109 20
J. E. Blaisdell, use of sch. lots	201 25
Sarah Moore, lease	10 00
village cemetery committee	9 35
For use of town house	1 00

Total	\$6907 28
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DISBURSEMENTS.

The selectmen discharge themselves by the following bills paid :

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

State tax	\$650 00
County tax	638 63
E. Norcross, one pair oxen	140 00
E. Ford, two pair oxen	290 00
W. E. Shaw, printing 300 town reports	20 00
Kate C. Meader, school supplies	136 62
E. E. Grimes, abatements in 1895	1 70
Stearns & Jones, insuring town house	31 50
Kate C. Meader, enumeration of children	6 00
Town of Orford, running town line	3 50
Warren, " "	4 00
John, Leonard, fixing and use of road	3 00
R. L. Risley, guide boards	8 50
Martin Day, dog constable	3 00
George Stanley, librarian	39 00
" " services as librarian	20 00
" " wood, care town house	8 50
Joseph Lawrence, fixing fence on meadow	3 00
Mrs. A. W. Putnam, overpaid tax	24 07
H. S. Muchmore, excess on tax	1 51
H. E. Morrison, rec. births, marriages and deaths	3 00
H. E. Morrison, blank books, &c.	6 75
" two police badges	2 50

W. H. Horton, exp. to Lebanon and Woodsville	\$3 00
J. E. Blaisdell, clearing meadow	3 00
E. D. Braynard, bounty on hawks	75
J. D. Martin, care of cemetery	1 50
I. F. Day, use of water trough	3 00
Joseph Ladeau, " "	2 00
L. E. Stevens, " "	3 00
Charles Robinson, water supply two years	4 00
Kate C. Meader, rep. on school houses	100 00
Total	<hr/> \$2165 03

PAUPER BILLS.

L. B. Blodett & Son, clothing for S. Bow- ker	\$4 05
E. E. Grimes, clothing for S. Bowker	2 75
Dr. Chase, medical services for S. Bowker	1 50
Total	<hr/> \$8 30

HIGHWAY BILLS.

Paid E. Ford, road agent	\$1375 12
" Frank Chandler for wire fence	22 50
Total	<hr/> \$1397 62

TOWN OFFICERS.

J. D. Martin, services as moderator	\$4 00
W. H. Horton, services as selectman	68 00
G. H. Reneau, " "	43 50

E. D. Braynard,	serv. selectman	\$44 50
John F. Simpson,	“ supervisor	8 00
Frank Ladeau,	“ “	8 00
G. H. Reneau,	“ “	4 00
W. B. Deal,	“ “	4 00
W. H. Horton,	“ on school board	20 50
Charles Rodimon,	“ “ “	21 75
Kate C. Meader,	“ “ “	70 00
H. E. Morrison,	“ town clerk	25 00
Jennie C. Andross,	“ district clerk	5 00
E. E. Grimes,	collector of taxes	70 00
Aaron Barton,	ballot clerk	2 00
William Blaisdell	“	2 00
O. B. Stanley,	“	2 00
Arthur Ames,	“	2 00
B. C. Metcalf,	town treasurer	25 00
Aaron Barton,	auditor	4 00
H. S. Muchmore,	“	4 00
Total		<hr/> \$437 25
Paid for support of schools		\$1572 24
Albert Rogers, S. Underhill note and interest		\$1050 00
T. E. Stevens, interest		4 00
		<hr/> \$1054 00

SUMMARY.

Paid notes and interest	\$1054 00
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Paid Highway bills	\$1397 62
Miscellaneous bills	2165 03
Pauper bills	8 30
Support of schools	1572 24
Town officers	437 25
by discount	141 02
by abatements	31 73

\$6807 19

Amount received by selectmen 6907 28

Leaving a balance in treasury of \$100 09

RESOURCES.

Due from A. G. Hodsdon	\$41 76
L. C. Bickford	7 42
county	8 30

\$157 57

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding note	\$100 00
Due school district	8 61

Total \$108 61

Resources less liabilities 48 96

Leaving a balance in favor of town of \$48 96

• Respectfully submitted,

W. H. HORTON,
GEO. H. RENEAU.
E. D. BRAYNARD,

} Selectmen
of
Piermont.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

Amount in librarian's hands Feb. 15, '96.	\$18 00
Received of the town treasurer	39 00
“ of Mrs. Ames	1 00
“ for fines	50
Total	<hr/> \$58 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books	\$37 32
“ express and freight	64
“ listing and repairing books, mucilage paper and postage	4 00
Total	<hr/> \$41 96
Amount in librarian's hands Feb. 15, '97	\$16 54

G. W. STANLEY, Librarian.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

Received of F. B. Towle, lot in cemetery	\$ 18 67
A. J. Towle, “ “	6 67
Leander Clark, “ “	6 67
A. D. Ford, “ “	6 67
G. W. Stanley, “ “	6 67
Total	<hr/> \$45 35

EXPENDITURES.

Paid N. Gould, for drawing stone	\$15 00
H. H. Palmer	1 25
J. P. Metcalf	4 25
A. R. Gould, laying stone	5 75
G. W. Stanley	5 25
Granite Company	4 50
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	\$36 00
Leaving a balance in favor of town of	9 35

A. R. GOULD, Committee.

We have examined the foregoing accounts and found satisfactory vouchers for all sums paid through the treasury.

AARON BARTON, }
H. S. MUCHMORE, } Auditors.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT,

For the Year Ending February 15, 1897.

Paid G. H. Johnson	\$23 80
T. H. Andros	1 80
A. R. Gould	70 10
O. B. Stanley	60
R. Hunt	20 40
J. P. Metcalf	8 50

Paid N. M. Gould	\$24 00
Frank Norcross	1 00
John Lee	50
Ora Day	67
E. G. Ford	14 25
F. B. Lovitt	17 70
J. Reneau	2 85
F. Briggs	22 12
C. L. Hill	90
J. E. Currie	4 97
Frank Stone	4 50
J. F. Lowell	9 60
Josiah Hardy	4 35
C. W. Cutting	10 25
Herbert Clark	44 35
George A. Clark	39 92
Peter Burke	8 19
Boardman	11 00
Derrick	5 00
H. S. Stanley	24 40
Merrill Heath	13 05
Thomas Stone	3 75
Frank Ladeau	24 74
George Ramsey	19 87
William Davis	13 50
Frank Curtis	4 35
S. J. Corliss	79 45
Lewis Newman	3 50

Paid M. J. Batchelder	\$42 88
W. H. Horton	5 94
F. M. Underhill	8 50
George Webster	6 75
E. Ford	75 00
Fred Stone	10 25
H. S. Muchmore	3 30
Robie & Morrison, lumber	146 58
Byron Dennis	35 75
George Austin	30 00
Amos Gould	1 50
Charles Webster	5 30
Lewis Hill	75
M. Hill	8 10
C. E. Andros	1 00
George Stetson	6 47
E. C. Durgin, machine blade	16 50
Hibbard	3 00
A. A. Knapp	41 97
J. U. Leonard	24 83
G. E. Leonard	1 00
G. L. Stevens	1 12
Ezra Marston	2 90
Henry Nutt	11 50
T. B. Wright	1 95
C. H. Rodimon	22 86
W. E. Kimball	30
E. Ford	100 00

Paid A. R. Gould	\$30 30
William Tarbox	. 52
Frank Chandler	5 08
Martin Day	3 60
E. C. Ford, board	10 50
H. H. Palmer	1 50
J. Ladeau	14 12
A. D. Ford	3 00
J. Lamontange	21 66
E. D. Braynard	2 60
George Emery	8 85
L. Stevens	3 00
E. Rogers	2 00
Powder, fuse, shovels and bars	5 57
Morse	1 35
B. Dana	1 25
J. Stickney	2 55
H. Hodsdon	67
F. B. Towle	14 40
T. Morris	6 00
George H. Reneau, lumber	15 89
E. W. Dennis	1 20
E. E. Grimes	2 57
Dan Bixby	2 00
E. S. Underhill	5 63
P. K. Day	29 25
F. A. Robie	7 87
George Stanley	50

Paid E. Libbey	\$12 80
L. B. Blodgett	73
C. French	1 50
E. G. Ford	2 73

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

We, the School Board, of the town of Piermont, present the following report of the schools in town under our care for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897:

We maintained schools in eleven districts during the summer, nine in the fall and seven in the winter, twenty-seven terms in all, of varying lengths from eight to thirteen weeks.

The average number of weeks for each scholar during the year has been 25.

We have had enrolled 142 different scholars during the year, 11 of whom are 16 years of age or over, and 2 of whom are under 5 years. Fifty-four have not been absent for one term, at least, and 13 have been on the roll of honor for the whole year.

We have employed 14 different teachers, 6 of them keeping the same schools throughout the year. All but three of our teachers have been residents of Piermont. and most of them teachers of experience.

Perhaps it would hardly be just to mention any names, where we feel that all have honestly tried to do their best, but those of our townspeople who have interest enough in our schools to visit them occasionally cannot fail to recognize the fact that we have several teachers in town of whom we may justly be proud; teachers of marked ability and fitness for their work and whose methods are sure of producing the best results among their pupils.

The Public Examination, while a new thing here, we believe to be a good thing, as it shows our teachers wherein their strength or weakness lies and also places them where they belong, on a level with the most successful teachers of the neighboring towns.

Believing that the laborer is worthy of his hire, we have raised the salary of all the teachers in town to a uniform rate of five dollars per week, with two exceptions.

As there is no school house in the Lovell district and only two scholars, they were taught at a private house for a small sum weekly, and the upper grade in the village school being very large we have raised the salary there somewhat.

The new charts in use this year have been a great source of pleasure and profit, especially among the younger scholars, and we trust that every school in town may have the advantage of their use for a few weeks, at least, another year.

Great interest, too, has been awakened among the older pupils in their bookkeeping, a study to our minds far more practical and useful than some others more often taken up in our schools. Twenty-two scholars have studied bookkeeping during the fall and winter terms.

Three schoolhouses have been shingled during the year; one clapboarded and fitted with new windows, while various other much needed repairs have been made throughout the town.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. STANLEY,	} School Board.
C. H. RODIMON,	
W. H. HORTON,	

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

RECEIPTS.

Mr. Converse, bal. on hand last year	\$56 99
From town treasurer, school money	1572 24
of Haverhill, tuition	64 00
treasurer, for repairs	100 00
Mr. Horton, glass	1 00
Total	\$1794 23

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid teachers.	
Miss Blaisdell, three terms	\$125 00

Miss Brown, two terms	\$120 00
Buck	55 00
Julia Dodge	60 00
Olive Dodge, three terms	135 00
Hibbard " "	120 00
Hill " "	130 00
Ladeau	40 00
Lovell	30 00
Mrs. Reneau, three terms	173 50
Miss Underhill, two terms	80 00
Webster, two terms	80 00
Mr. Averill	50 00
French	50 00
Total	<hr/> \$1243 50

PAID FOR CARRYING SCHOLARS.

Mr. Tarbox, three terms	\$89 00
Horton " "	70 00
E. A. Rogers, two terms	10 50
G. A. Johnson, two terms	27 00
W. Davis, " "	7 50
Total	<hr/> \$204 00

REPAIRS.

Paid H. Blaisdell, glass	\$ 40
C. H. Rodimon, boards and labor	11 14

C. H. Rodimon, glass, st'v. pipe, labor	\$ 4 80
Wm. Child, shingle	5 00
J. W. Wilson, labor	16 75
W. F. Cummings, C. boards	7 65
Dan Bixby, labor	30 00
Pike Mfg. Co., shingle, paper, Etc	5 62
N. Spencer, plastering C. H.	3 00
Reneau & Co., windows and shingle	15 24
G. H. Reneau, shi'ng., Cl. b'ds	27 48
Sargent & Co., glass, etc	1 32
Dan Bixby, work	1 75
H. Celly, fitting glass	1 00
Total	<hr/> \$131 15

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Francis Bowker, wood last year	\$6 37
Horace Underhill, wood last year	3 19
W. H. Horton, receipt and order b'k	1 50
G. Leonard, cleaning No. 1	2 00
W. Davis, sawing wood	2 00
Mrs. Stone, cleaning (2 houses)	2 25
Hill, cleaning village house	4 00
Percy, cleaning No. 5 house	2 00
Goodell & Co., rep. pm. sh	10
Mrs. Clark, Cleaning	2 00
" pail and broom	52
J. E. Lee, wood	5 63

Paid Grimes & Co., sundries	\$ 85
Blodgett & Son "	1 86
Mrs. Ladeau, cleaning	1 00
Fred Lee, care of house, summer	2 00
Mr. Lamontange, wood	6 00
Mr. Day, cleaning, setting post, etc	4 00
Mr. Horton, copy of school laws	79
Mr. Averill, care house, fall	4 50
Bert Ladeau, two terms	2 00
Ernest Clarke, "	1 25
Archie Lamontagne, fires	50
A. Campbell, "	1 00
W. & W. Lougee, care house	2 00
Leslie Crafts, care house, fall	1 25
A. Wilson, " winter	2 00
Mr. Howland, wood	1 50
H. Blaisdell, broom, etc.	25
George H. Reneau, wood, etc.	8 85
L. Averill, care house, winter	5 00
Money orders, postage, etc.	1 95
A. Hodson, wood	12 00
E. Dennis, "	3 00
S. B. Page, legal advice	1 00
Blodgett & Son	3 20
H. S. Stanley, 3 cords wood	7 50
Sawing wood	2 50
Mr. Clayburn, sawing	60
Total	<hr/> \$109 91

SUMMARY.

Whole amount received		\$1794 23
Paid for teaching and board	\$1243 50	
Carrying scholars	204 00	
Repairs	131 15	
Miscellaneous bills	109 91	
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Total expenditures	\$1688 56	
Bal. in hands of Treas. sch. b'd	105 67	
	<hr/>	\$1794 23

There remains in the hands of the Town Treasurer
\$8 61 school money.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PIERMONT, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1896.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child.	Sex	Living or Still born	Color	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Feb 3,	Piermont	Edna Robie	f	Living	w	Freeman A. Robie	Mary H. Grimes	All in Piermont	Farmer	Corinth. Vt.	Orford	33	29
June 4,	"	Charles E.	m	"	w	Ch. H. Rodimon	Gertrude Ladeau	"	"	Piermont	Craftsbury Vt.	41	24
July 1,	"	Vivian Hanks	f	"	w	J. M. Hanks	Lillian Huntley	"	Laborer	Sutton, Can.	Groton, Vt.	32	22
July 12,	"	W. McKintley	m	"	w	F. E. Ladeau	Hattie M. Mann	"	"	Eden, Vt.	Walden, Vt.	27	27
Oct 16,	"	Virginia	f	"	w	Mio B. Sawyer	Alice B. Rodimon	"	Farmer	Topsham. Vt.	Piermont	25	18
Dec. 2,	"	May E.	f	"	w	Wm. S. McQuirrie	Emma E. Knights	"	Stonecutter	N. Brunswick	So. Paris, Me	27	19

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

H. E. MORRISON, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PIERMONT, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1896.

Date of Death	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of Deceased	Year	Month	Days	Birthplace.	Sex	Color	Sing. Mar'd or Wid.	Occupation	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Cause of Death.	Name and Address of Physician reporting death.
Jan. 14, 96	Piermont	Agnes E. Clark	47				m		Married	Farmer	Daniel Clark	Lucy Brown	Pneumonia	
Jan. 23,	"	Ella E. Kent	46	3	29	Piermont	f		"	Housewife	J. A. Emerson	Elizabeth P. Bean	"	
Feb. 23,	"	Ruth Whittaker	89	1	11	Lyme	f	White	Widowed		John Kendrick	Kesia Preble	Fall	
March 2,	"	Nellie M. French	10	10	9	Piermont	f		Single		Wm. H. French	Alice M. Drown	Pneumonia	
March 11,	"	Mahala Smith	78	6	17	Warren	f		Married		Daniel Patch	Betsy Hall	LaGrippe	
March 26,	Hanover	Ella L. Towle	45	4			f		"	Housewife	Simon Howard			
April 24,	Piermont	Paul Corliss		9		Haverhill	m				Carns P. Corliss	Belle W. Andrews	Humor fr. birth	
June 29,	"	Elvira Bowker	70	10	28		f		Married				Dis. of brain	
Aug. 28,	"	O. E. Lougee	45	6	18	Stanstead P Qt	f		"	Housewife	Joseph Kemp		Consumption	
Sept 6,	Bradford	Mary E. Rodimon	38	6	4	Somerville Ms	f		"	"	Abram Ford	Ediza Burrows	"	
Sept. 16,	W Fairlee	S. S. Tarbox	77			Vershire, Vt.	f		"		William Cox		Acute dysentery	
Sept. 30,	Bradford	Alden Stevens	85	11		Piermont	m		Widowed	Farm r	John Stevens	Betsy Fuller	Old age	
Oct. 4,	Piermont	James Tarbox		2	24	"	m		"		Wm. Tarbox	Castara M. Fuller	Pneumonia	
Dec 8,	"	Ella E. Clark	37	9		Norwich, Vt	f		Married		John Follansby		Apoplexy	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

H. E. MORRISON, Town Clerk.

Puritana Cures.



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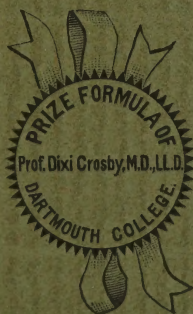
Puritana is indorsed by Ex-Gov. Busiel, Secretary of State Stearns, and all the highest officials in the State.

U. S. Marshal Clark Campbell, of the district of New Hampshire, suffered for a long time from disordered digestive organs, loss of appetite, and habitual distress after eating. He failed to receive the desired benefit from physicians' treatment, but he writes that relief came with almost the first dose of Puritana.

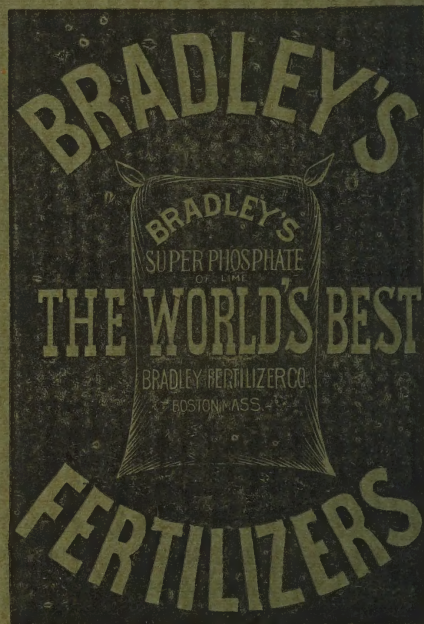
Chief of Police H. W. Longa, of Manchester, had indigestion, which caused shortness of breath, heart palpitation, and other serious symptoms. He writes that since he used Puritana all the old symptoms have disappeared, and he can indorse the statement that Puritana makes the health right because it makes the stomach right.

Strong indorsements have also been received from F. P. Kimball and John Eaton, of Manchester; Hon. John H. Oberly, W. A. Thompson, Samuel W. Emerson, of Concord; Rev. John E. Wildey, of New Boston; C. B. Downs, of Portsmouth; and hundreds of others in these and other cities and towns.

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